



# Grants Pass Department of Public Safety

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## MEDIA RELEASE



Nature: Press Release Incident #: 2015-00002006

Location: Grants Pass

Date/Time of Incident: May 26, 2015 17:06:44

Completed by: Battalion Chief Lloyd Lawless Approved by: Lt. Dennis Ward

Driver: 81 year old male; Transported to Three Rivers Hospital

Details: Single vehicle crash into a light pole

On May 26, 2015 at 17:06:44, Grants Pass Fire Rescue responded to a vehicle into a light pole at 7<sup>th</sup> and East Park Street. Fire crews arrived on scene within 4 minutes of the dispatch and found one occupant in the vehicle with his legs trapped under the dash. The vehicle sustained extensive frontend damage upon impact.

The fire crews quickly and seamlessly worked to remove the patient using their extrication equipment. The crews were required to remove the roof of the vehicle so that they could give the occupant the best possible patient care. While fire crews were removing the roof of the vehicle, patient care handled by American Medical Response.

Grants Pass Police assisted with traffic control and scene security. The cause of the crash is still under investigation. The crashed forced Grants Pass Police to shut down one lane of traffic into Grants Pass at the 7<sup>th</sup> street bridge. This was for the safety of the public and personnel on scene.

Grants Pass Fire Rescue would like to remind everyone with summer approaching there will be an increased number of people on the road, so be a good defensive driver.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Grants Pass Fire/Rescue at 541-450-6200.

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